## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(MBHB Docket No. 06-361)

In re the Application of:		)
	Naicker, et al.	)
		) Group Art Unit: 3713
Serial No.:	10/579,806	)
		) Examiner: TBA
Filed:	May 16, 2006	)
		) Confirmation No. 3623
For:	System For Playing A	j ,
	Bingo-Type Game	)

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

ATTN: Office of PCT Legal Administration

## RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

This is a Renewed Petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a), in which Applicant respectfully requests the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to allow the signing inventors, Theo Naicker, Tony Yunnie, and Jon Hutchings, to make this application on behalf of themselves and the nonsigning inventor, Devan Govender, who refuses to join in the above-identified application for patent.

By way of background, Applicant filed an original "Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)" on August 7, 2007. In a Decision mailed October 1, 2007, the PCT Legal Examiner dismissed that Petition. The Decision identified four requirements for a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) and confirmed that requirements (1) and (4) had been satisfied. However, the Decision indicated that additional information was required in

J

order to satisfy requirements (2) and (3). The Decision also suggested that Applicant

could request reconsideration by filing a Renewed Petition.

In this Renewed Petition, Applicant provides the additional information that the

Decision indicated was needed to satisfy requirements (2) and (3). With respect to

requirement (2), the Decision noted that the evidence presented tends to suggest that Mr.

Govender may have refused to execute a declaration document after having been

presented with the declaration and a copy of the application. However, the original

Petition did not provide a statement from Ms. Tracey Clarke introducing the email

evidence and attesting to the facts surrounding those communications. With this

Renewed Petition, Applicant submits the Declaration of Tracey Clarke in order to

introduce the email evidence previously submitted as Exhibits C-G to Mr. Verardi's

Declaration and to attest to the facts surrounding those communications.

With respect to requirement (3), the Decision asked Applicant to clarify which

address given for Mr. Govender is his last-known permanent address. In response,

Applicant states that the last-known permanent address of Mr. Govender is the following:

1 Aqua Marina, 1 Marine Drive, Umdloti 4350, South Africa.

Applicant submits that with the information provided with this Renewed Petition

all requirements for a petition under 37 CFR § 1.47(a) have now been satisfied, and

notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 30, 2007

By: Richard a. Workerlin

Richard A. Machonkin

Reg. No. 41,962

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert and Berghoff LLP

300 South Wacker Dr.

2

Chicago, Illinois 60606 Telephone: 312-913-0001 Facsimile: 312-913-0002

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(MBHB Docket No. 06-361)

In re the Application of:		)
	Naicker, et al.	) )
		) Group Art Unit: 3713
Serial No.:	10/579,806	)
		) Examiner: TBA
Filed:	May 16, 2006	)
	•	) Confirmation No. 3623
For:	System For Playing A	)
	Bingo-Type Game	)

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **DECLARATION OF TRACEY CLARKE**

In support of the Renewed Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) to allow the signing inventors, Theo Naicker, Tony Yunnie, and Jon Hutchings, to make this application on behalf of themselves and the nonsigning inventor, Devan Govender, who refuses to join in the above-identified application for patent, I, Tracey Clarke, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am Mr. Verardi's assistant at the law firm of Novellie Verardi & Mitchell, which is located at MGS House, Circular Road, Douglas, Isle of Man, British Isles, IMI 1BL. I have personal knowledge of the following facts, and if called to testify, I would and could testify competently to the matters set forth herein.
- 2. I have reviewed Mr. Verardi's Declaration and Exhibits A-G thereto. I have personal knowledge regarding Exhibits C-G to Mr. Verardi's Declaration, as set forth in the following paragraphs 3 through 7.

1

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert and Berghoff LLP 300 South Wacker Drive Chicago, Illinois 60606 Telephone: 312 913-0001 Facsimile: 312 913-0002

3. On July 30, 2007, I sent Mr. Govender an e-mail message that attached a

Declaration for his signature. A redacted copy of that e-mail message, and the

Declaration it attached, is attached as Exhibit C to Mr. Verardi's Declaration.

4. On August 1, 2007, I sent Mr. Govender an e-mail message with a revised

Declaration to include his personal address in South Africa. A redacted copy of that e-

mail message, and the revised Declaration it attached, is attached as Exhibit D to Mr.

Verardi's Declaration.

5. I subsequently received an e-mail message from Mr. Govender, in which

he stated: "I refuse to sign these documents." A copy of that e-mail message is attached

as Exhibit E to Mr. Verardi's Declaration.

6. On August 3, 2007, I e-mailed a copy of the specification filed in the

United States, a Declaration, and Assignment to Mr. Govender. My e-mail message

asked Mr. Govender to: "Please sign the two documents and return them to me as a

matter of urgency." A copy of that e-mail message with its attachments is attached as

Exhibit F to Mr. Verardi's Declaration.

Later that day, I received an e-mail message from Mr. Govender that 7.

responded to my e-mail message. Mr. Govender's message stated: "As previously

discussed with Frank Verardi, I refuse to sign these documents." A copy of that e-mail

message is attached as Exhibit G to Mr. Verardi's Declaration.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are 8.

true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and

further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements

and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert and Berghoff LLP 300 South Wacker Drive

Chicago, Illinois 60606 Telephone: 312 913-0001

Facsimile: 312 913-0002

2

of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 29th Normber, 2007

Tracey Clarke